

SILVER	\$ .99 1/2
LONDON SILVER	.69%
COPPER	13 3/4 @ 14 1/4
LEAD	.05 1/2

# VENICE IS SWEEPED BY FIRE

## LABOR RIOT OCCURS IN PETROGRAD

(By Associated Press)  
PETROGRAD, Dec. 22.—A serious labor riot occurred recently in Petrograd, says a Helander dispatch. The riot occurred under yesterday's date, in which many persons were killed or injured. The riot was crushed and 105 laborers executed of the dispatch adds.

## J. L. WOODWARD IS KILLED IN A MINE ACCIDENT

(By Associated Press)  
TOLLENTINE, Dec. 22.—A broken ladder in the 200-foot shaft of the Klondike mine at Klondike, south of Goldfield, was responsible for the death of J. L. Woodward, a resident of Goldfield since 1904 and for 22 years one of the firm of Barstow and Woodward.

## ENGLISH BLOCKADE FIUME SAYS DISPATCH

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Italian government forces have established a close blockade of Fiume by land and sea. It seems possible that fighting might be reported at any time. Not only has the city of Fiume been isolated, but the islands of Arbe, San Marcos and Veglia, which were recently occupied by D'Annunzio have been blockaded.

## LAST MINUTE NEWS

**MAYBE BOOTLEG WAS THE CAUSE**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Under Secretary of State Norman H. Davis was reported today to be comfortably resting at his home following an attack of hiccoughs which began Tuesday and ceased last night.

**STEALS PIANO IN CHURCH**  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 22.—A burglar broke into the Brethren church here and made away with a \$400 piano.

**WHERE RENT IS CHEAP**  
CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo., Dec. 22.—Gather 'round, men! If you fear a hard winter, come to Cripple Creek. Houses can be rented for \$10 per month and there is work to be had at pretty fair wages.

**PRISONER HEAVILY GUARDED**  
SOUTH BEND, Wash., Dec. 22.—Heavy guards were kept posted about the county jail here last night following the verdict Saturday night of a coroner's jury, charging Fred Welch, a prisoner, with responsibility of the blowing up of the dredge Beaver, on North river, which cost four lives Friday.

## TONOPAH MILLS SHIP BULLION

Bullion shipments from four Tonopah mills for the past week total 118 bars, or 224,570 ounces. Sunday the West End company shipped 28 bars of 53,800 ounces. Tonopah Belmont Development company 44 bars of 81,000 ounces. Monday the Tonopah Extension company sent forth 22 bars of 42,700 ounces, and this morning the Tonopah Mining company shipped 24 bars weighing 47,000 ounces.

## AGITATION IN ENGLAND GATHERING MOMENTUM

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—Agitation of the unemployed is gathering momentum. More public buildings have been seized recently in London. Local authorities generally are coming to a peaceful arrangement with the men for the use of these buildings during stipulated hours.

## WILSON ACCOMPANY HARING ON MARCH INAUGURATION DAY

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—President Wilson plans to accompany President-elect Harding from the White House to the capitol on March 4 and back again to the White House for luncheon, as is the custom when the new chief executive is inaugurated, it was announced today by Secretary Tumulty.

## STATE DEPARTMENT TO INVESTIGATE CHARGES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Charges by Mrs. Annette Robinson, of Manchester, England, that American Consul Wells at Manchester attempted to prevent her coming to this country to testify before the commission of the committee of 100 investigating conditions in Ireland, are to be investigated by the state department. In making this statement state department officials remarked that Wells was a new appointee.

## ONE LIFE IS LOST AND DAMAGE IS ESTIMATED OVER MILLION DOLLARS

(By Associated Press)  
FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 22.—The sea-side section of this city where the ship industry is parveying ammunition was swept by fire last night and this morning in which one man lost his life and another was badly injured and property damage amounting to over \$1,000,000 caused.

The chief losers were the Abbott-Ridney company, which owned an amusement pier and numerous amusements on or near it. The company's loss is estimated at \$750,000. Other enterprises lost about \$250,000. The total amount of damage varied was \$1,000,000. Kinney stated the pier would be rebuilt at once.

## GERMANY TO PAY VAST SUM MARKS

(By Associated Press)  
BRUSSELS, Belgium, Dec. 22.—Payment by Germany of \$100,000,000 marks in gold payments as the basis on which delegates to the second financial conference in session here, are working. This amount, although far below what was authorized by the treaty of Versailles, is considered by them as collectable only on condition that Germany is helped along financially by the German delegates.

## MAY RESORT TO DIRECT ACTION

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—The council of action has taken a hard line. Officers of trade unions represented on the council met yesterday to discuss the council's action and to decide whether it would be advisable to resort to direct action in order to expedite the conclusion of a trade agreement with Russia.

## HUGHES DENIES HE RECEIVED APPOINTMENT

(By Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Charles E. Hughes, in a statement today characterized published reports that he had been tendered the appointment of secretary of state in the Harding cabinet as "irresponsible rumors."

(By Associated Press)  
MARIETTA, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Friedrichsen Harding today denied the published statement that he had of news charges. Evans Hughes the appointment of secretary of state.

It is the intention of the new company to operate an auto freight and passenger stage between Tonopah and the Nevada state line on the Tonopah-Pine road and on intermediate points except on that part of said road between Tonopah and Goldfield.

## PERMIT ISSUED TO OPERATE STAGE LINE

The public service commission of Nevada yesterday granted the application of the Nevada California Auto Stage line for a certificate of public convenience and necessity. It is the intention of the new company to operate an auto freight and passenger stage between Tonopah and the Nevada state line on the Tonopah-Pine road and on intermediate points except on that part of said road between Tonopah and Goldfield.

## GRAND JURY MAY INDICT GANGSTERS AT FRESNO

(By Associated Press)  
FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 22.—Following a grilling of members of a gang, whom police and sheriff's officers say are responsible for scores of burglaries in and about Fresno, District Attorney Beaumont asked the grand jury to bring in an indictment against three alleged gang leaders, Charles Matchler, Frank Silva and C. E. Runkle.

Evidence which the officers said they had obtained indicated that the gang's operations were not only limited to burglaries and highway robberies, but also to the use of force to force places for the purpose of attacking them.

## SENATOR ODDIE ARRIVES TONOPAH NEXT MONDAY

Tasker L. Oddie, United States senator-elect, and Mrs. Oddie will arrive in Tonopah this morning of the 27th and join our Yuletide merriment. A public demonstration had been planned locally for the entertainment of the senator, but in a letter to County Chairman Mark Bradshaw the senator asks particularly that he be given, stating that he fully realized and appreciated the spirit as he did the valiant work which was done during the campaign, that he wanted to come down and quietly see all his friends here in Tonopah and familiarize himself with the conditions and wants of the southland.

## MAN WHO SERVED UNDER LINCOLN PASSES AWAY

J. A. Nelson, who for the past four months had been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Bess Richardson, passed away this morning at 2 o'clock. Mr. Nelson was taken ill last Wednesday and the cause of death was cerebral hemorrhage. He was born in Columbus, Ohio, 85 years ago. When a child of six he injured his right leg so that he had walked with a crutch for 79 years. Although thus handicapped, he acquired a liberal education, and his long career had been a remarkable example of usefulness under trying circumstances. He was second in the treasury department during the administration of Abraham Lincoln and a witness against his assassins.

Deceased was the father of 13 children. His wife, aged 81, six sons and a daughter, Mrs. Richardson, survive him. At his bedside for several days were his sons, Fred and Percy who hurried here from Los Angeles, and the aged mother and daughter. The body will be taken to the depot Thursday morning and sent to Fresno, California, there to rest. At present the remains are at the parlors of Wagoner & Cavanaugh.

## LOYD GEORGE ADMITS THE U. S. HOLDS LEAGUE TOP HAND

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—Premier Lloyd George, presiding at a luncheon in this house of commons, given for British dominion delegates to the recent league of nations assembly at Geneva, declared the league never would achieve any real progress until all nations were represented. He said he looked forward hopefully to the United States coming into the league. This he asserted, was essential. There could be no real peace, he declared, until competition in armaments ceased, and before disarmament was possible, all nations must be in the league for all must march together.

## MESSENGERS ARE ROBBED IN L. A.

(By Associated Press)  
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 22.—A messenger employed by the Security Trust & Savings bank here was attacked in an alley in the rear of the Los Angeles stock exchange, in the heart of the main business district, shortly before noon today and robbed of a valise containing \$6500 in currency, according to his report to the bank.

The attack was made while thousands of holiday shoppers and workers were in the vicinity. The messenger said he was accosted by a stranger who forced him a short distance off the street into the alley, struck him over the head with a blunt instrument, seized the valise containing the money and fled. Persons who saw the man running found the messenger.

## COAL DIRECTOR SAYS CHARGES ARE FALSE

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—George H. Cushing, manager and director of the American Wholesale Coal association, before the senate coal investigating committee, reiterated a denial that coal men had "planned" a series of government statements the action which he said, had caused a coal shortage and panic this year.

## FLOYD MAHAN SOON TO BE AT HIS DESK

Play a station, of the Tonopah Divide Mining company office staff, who was operated on at the Mine Operators' hospital a week ago, has sufficiently recovered from his ailment and will leave for his home today. In all probability Mr. Mahan will be at his desk next Monday.

## FIUME STRONGHOLD IS ATTACKED BY FORCES

TRINTE, Italy, Dec. 22.—Fiume the stronghold of Gabriele D'Annunzio the insurgent Italian leader, is being besieged by regular Italian forces.

## SNOW FOR CHRISTMAS

FELL LAST EVENING  
Shortly after 8 o'clock last evening snow began falling and continued until one inch of the beautiful covered the ground. Today, however, the snow melted rapidly as this did not get busy early and shed his warm rays on the white blanket.

## TEACHERS TO COMPLETE THEIR WORK TOMORROW

This morning there arrived on the train from Reno the following well-known educators. Superintendent W. J. Hunting of Carson City, Dean J. W. Hall, of the department of education, Reno, and Professor C. W. Mead, of the department of education, University of California. Later in the afternoon Principal J. A. Hatt of Las Vegas high school and District Superintendent T. W. Chapman, also of Las Vegas, made their appearance.

This morning's program consisted of some songs by the kindergarten children under the direction of Miss Margaret Letz which were of high merit and were greatly enjoyed by all. Dean Hall gave a thoughtful paper on the subject "Teaching Pupils to Think," in which he showed how often the work was done mechanically or as mere memory exercises, while the thought elements were left out of consideration entirely.

Professor Mead gave a stirring address on the subject "Hunts of Work," and demonstrated how the habits of work learned in the early years of school persisted through school and even in life habits after the completion of the school course. He also dwelt on the importance of right work habits as determining the character of the nation as well.

In the high school section which followed, Principal Wittenberg, of Panaca high school, gave a stirring appeal for the bringing of the high schools into more direct touch with modern life and its demands, and for the curtailing of such subjects as did not fit the pupil to grapple with the problems of the age successfully. More direct methods of obtaining information and more care in giving the pupil an early impetus in the direction of his life work were also salient points in his message. The spirit of the session has been most commendable and the teachers have been quite in the spirit of the work during the institute. The stirring addresses of the educational leaders will doubtless enable all to go back to their work with a keener zest and the desire to serve their communities with greater devotion than before and make of the boys and girls the best it is possible for them to be. Certainly meetings like these that bring people of various fields of education together for consultation and in close personal touch cannot fail to bring much benefit to the schools which have been able to profit by attendance at the sessions of this institute.

## JACKASS BRANDY IS DOWNFALL OF JOHN

Essentially John Hema would rather dwell within the city jail than in his lodgings north of town. Several days ago John was arrested for disturbing the peace, as he had induced, so it is said, in home-made jackass brandy. Upon his promise to go the "straight and narrow path" hereafter, he was released with a reprimand. But life was too slow for John following the lane designated, and a few evenings ago he again loaded up on his favorite "straight" and proceeded to declare himself "ruler" of Tonopah. His actions attracted the attention of the officers who tagged him for the "trap." John will have a court to tell his troubles to this afternoon, with Judge Grier presiding.

## GET INTO ARGUMENT NOW FACE THE COURT

Steve Ceprenich, who was arrested on a complaint charging assault, sworn to by Milo Lusich several days ago, and who has been out on bonds, will have a hearing before Judge H. K. Grier today. It is said the above-named two got into an argument on Main street, and when time was called by bystanders, both looked like defeated combatants. Judge Grier will listen to their stories and will decide which should be declared the winner.

## K. O. KRIVOSKY TRIAL MAY END TOMORROW

(By Associated Press)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 22.—The second day of the trial of Edward "Knockout" Krivosky, who is charged with participating in the criminal attack upon Miss Jessie Montgomery, began with prospects of conclusion tomorrow night. Miss Montgomery and Miss Jean Stanley testified that Krivosky was one of several who brutally attacked them in a house in which they had been enticed. Edmund Murphy, who was convicted Monday, is to be sentenced tomorrow.

## HARRY P. BOWIE DIED LAST NIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 22.—Henry P. Bowie, a California planter and wealthy landowner in Hillsborough, south of San Francisco, died last night at San Mateo Red Cross hospital. Bowie had an extensive knowledge of the Japanese and Chinese languages and was appointed special envoy to Japan in 1918 on a state department mission.

## BUTLER THEATRE -TODAY-

MARJORIE RAMBEAU  
IN  
"THE FORTUNE TELLER"  
Romantic adventure, mystery and Heart Appeal  
ALSO  
PATHE REVIEW

-TOMORROW-  
CONSTANCE TALMADGE IN  
"IN SEARCH OF A SINNER"  
Don't miss that horse race on

FRIDAY  
MAN O' WAR & SIR BARTON  
-COMING-  
"THE DEVIL'S PASSKEY"